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Honorable James O. Eastland  
Chairman, Internal Security Subcommittee  
United States Senate  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Senator Eastland.

Thank you for your letter of 24 May requesting information concerning past cases of Soviet espionage in the United States, its territories and possessions, for publication by the Internal Security Subcommittee for the information of the Senate of the United States.

By a proviso contained in the National Security Act of 1947, as amended, the Central Intelligence Agency is precluded from all police, subpoena, and internal security activities. As a consequence of the above preclusion, we do not gather the type of information you desire. We collect this kind of information only from various foreign countries and sources abroad, which activity is within the scope of our responsibilities under the law.

With kind personal regards.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

Legislative Counsel

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